1 **EXHIBIT 15** _Filed __Roceived __Entered __Served O Counsel/Parties of Record 2 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA 3 MAR 2 4 2025 4 DREW J. RIBAR, Clerk Go Cibtion Court District of Nevada Plaintiff, Pro Se, 5 6 ٧. 7 WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA, et al., Defendants. 8 Case No.: 3:24-cv-00526-ART-CLB 9 10 11 **EXHIBIT 15** 12 13 Title: Public Records Request - Library System 14 **Date:** July 6, 2023 15 **Bates Range:** EXH075-EXH083 16 Total Pages: 13 17 18 Description: 19 20 This exhibit contains email correspondence regarding Plaintiff's public records request 21 concerning library policies and security procedures for Drag Queen Story Hour (DQSH) events. 22 The records demonstrate: 23 24 1. Selective enforcement of access policies favoring certain groups while restricting others. 25 2. Government coordination with private entities to restrict public access. 26 27

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Records laws.

3. Denial of timely access to public records, indicating potential violations of Nevada Open

Legal Relevance:

This exhibit supports Plaintiff's claims under the First and Fourteenth Amendments and NRS 239 (Nevada Public Records Act). It further evidences unconstitutional policies, reinforcing claims under:

- Monell v. Dep't of Soc. Servs., 436 U.S. 658 (1978) Establishing municipal liability for unconstitutional policies.
- Kreimer v. Bureau of Police, 958 F.2d 1242 (3d Cir. 1992) Confirming public libraries as designated public forums.
- Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRS 241.035) Potential procedural violations related to government decision-making.

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

I, Drew J. Ribar, certify that the attached exhibit is a true and accurate copy of records obtained through Public Records Requests from the Washoe County Library System and County Officials. These records were received in response to a formal request under NRS 239, Nevada's Public Records Law.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

PLEADING TITLE - 2

From:

Scott, Jeff <jscott@washoecounty.gov>

Sent:

06 July 2023 16:12

To:

Hemingway, Jamie; Andrews, John

Subject:

Re: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

Attachments:

Go ahead and block them. We can't have them spamming.

Thanks

Jeff

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From: Hemingway, Jamie <JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Thursday, July 6, 2023 9:08:57 AM

To: Scott, Jeff <jscott@washoecounty.gov>; Andrews, John <JAndrews@washoecounty.gov> Subject: Re: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

As of this morning we've gotten spammed by Audit Reno 31 times. Same video reposted. I haven't blocked the account yet.

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From: Scott, Jeff <jscott@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 12:48 PM

<JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>; Andrews, John Hemingway, Jamie

<JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: RE: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

That sucks! Sorry to hear that.

Just hang on to that until I get an answer from Mary. I told them that he was blocked for spamming the chat. He has first amendment rights, but he can't interrupt our regular flow of business.

Thanks,

Jeff

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From: Hemingway, Jamie <JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 12:47 PM

To: Scott, Jeff <jscott@washoecounty.gov>; Andrews, John <JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: Re: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

John found the blocked list on Facebook. We've only blocked 8 people. We'll start keeping

track.

In drag story hour-related news, I just saw that the Drag Story Hour nonprofit is closing their

Miami chapter... for obvious reasons. Sad!

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From: Scott, Jeff < iscott@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 12:43 PM

Andrews, John < JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>; Hemingway, Jamie

<JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: RE: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

He still can't spam the chat. He is just mad his little video isn't going viral. Nobody is watching after he talks to me.

Thanks,

Jeff

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From: Andrews, John < JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 12:22 PM

To: Scott, Jeff <jscott@washoecounty.gov>; Hemingway, Jamie

<JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: Re: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

We should probably revisit the social media policy. We had one years ago but it was rescinded some time before 2014 (not sure when, exactly, or why for that matter).

Sorry you're having to deal with this!

John

From: Scott, Jeff <jscott@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 12:03 PM

To: Hemingway, Jamie < JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>; Andrews, John

<JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: Re: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

We can go over guidelines on how to handle him in the future (not social media but in person).

I'll read this more carefully from The League of California Cities

https://www.calcities.org/docs/default-source/city-attorneys/05.2023-spring-fox szoke-what-to-do-wh en-first-amendment-auditors-come-to-town.pdf?sfvrsn=95bf0950 3#:~:text=Instances%20of%20the%2 Oabove%2C%20known,otherwise%20test%20local%20government%20officials.

Similar activity

https://www.boston.com/news/the-boston-globe/2023/05/21/youtube-first-amendment-audits-insultpublic-workers-massachusetts/

I would also say that in comparison to his other videos we handled it well. It's mostly me talking about the program and then being blocked from this kids area.

For Sparks we will probably have a better strategy to just keep all these folks in the protest zone. They activity is not permissible in the library and they have demonstrated intent to obstruct the program.

Thanks

Jeff

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From: Scott, Jeff < iscott@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 11:53:46 AM

To: Hemingway, Jamie < JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>; Andrews, John

< JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: Re: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

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Yes I am working with Mary on it. He can't just spam every post.

Thanks

Jeff

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From: Hemingway, Jamie <JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 11:52:25 AM

To:

Jeff Scott.

<jscott@washoecounty.gov>;

Andrews.

John

< <u>JAndrews@washoecounty.gov></u>;

Subject: Re: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

Thanks Jeff.

Here's just a sample of his spam posts as himself before being blocked, each one a repost of the video. Often on posts that have nothing to do with drag story hour.

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From: Scott, Jeff < jscott@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 11:50 AM

Hemingway, Jamie < JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>; John Andrews,

<JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: Re: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

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And I would have told you to block him if you didn't already.

Like yes share the video on the Storytime. But to put it on every post no way

Thanks

Jeff

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From: Scott, Jeff < jscott@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 11:48:37 AM

To: Hemingway, Jamie < JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>; Andrews, John

<JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: Re: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

I would leave it for now, Spamming is clearly not allowed.

He's obviously mad that no one cares about his video.

Thanks

Jeff

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From: Hemingway, Jamie <JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 11:44:07 AM

<iscott@washoecounty.gov>; To: Scott. Jeff Andrews. John

<JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: Re: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

I'm sorry to have created this fiasco by blocking. Apparently we need to have an official policy for patron behavior on social media? I found this:

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/socialmediaguidelines#:~:text=Permanently%20blo cking%20a%20patron%20from,Freedom%20of%20Information%20Act%2C%20request.

Libraries should clearly state the consequences for posts that do not meet the library's social media policy, which should be drafted in consultation with legal counsel. Best practices include developing a procedure through which libraries notify patrons of why they are being blocked, provide an appellate process within the library for the patron to challenge the removal, and determine an acceptable time period for the patron to proceed through a reinstatement procedure. Permanently blocking a patron from the social media site based on prior comments could be considered a prior restraint in violation of the First Amendment.

The social media content of a public library or publicly funded academic library can be subject to an open records, or Freedom of Information Act, request. All user's posts that are removed for any reason whatsoever should be securely retained in accordance with your organization's retention schedule. The policy for how long a library retains these social media posts should be clearly stated in its social media policy and reviewed by legal counsel.

Library administrators should clearly communicate their social media policies and legal obligations to their vendors.

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Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 11:37 AM

To: Hemingway, Jamie < JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>; Andrews, John

< JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: Re: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

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I will

Email Mary Kanderas to let them know we blocked him for spamming and get guidance.

Thanks Jeff

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From: Hemingway, Jamie < JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 11:35:24 AM

To: Scott, Jeff <jscott@washoecounty.gov>; Andrews, John

<JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: Fw: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

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I did block him for spamming. He has got some other account (Audit Reno) to spam instead and they have been reposting the YouTube video on every post.

I can unblock him if that's better. But I think it's a weird request to know who we have blocked. Are we allowed to give him names of people we have blocked since the beginning of having our social media accounts? Don't even know how we find that info—especially historically if it still exists. There aren't many, but that seems like a privacy thing. Is it a first amendment violation to block people on social media? If so, I will unblock.

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From: Scott, Jeff < jscott@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 11:29 AM

Hemingway, Jamie < JHemingway@washoecounty.gov>; To: Andrews. John

<JAndrews@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: Fwd: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

Not sure about this one. Can we get this info?

Definitely justified for spam and hate speech. The person requesting has likely been blocked for spamming all of our socials with the YouTube video.

Thanks

Jeff

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From: Washoe 311 Public Records Requests < washoe311-PRR@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 11:27:14 AM

To: Scott, Jeff < jscott@washoecounty.gov>

Cc: Kandaras, Mary < mkandaras@da.washoecounty.gov>

Subject: FW: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public

Records Request) - Washoe County, NV

Greetings,

Below please find the Public Records Request received by Washoe311. Let us know if we can provide additional information.

Thank you,

Washoe311 Service Center – Public Records Requests

Communications Division | Office of the County Manager

washoe311-PRR@washoecounty.gov | Office: 3-1-1 | 775.328.2003

Fax: 775.328.2491

1001 E. Ninth St., Bldg A, Reno, NV 89512

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From: Washoe311 < Washoe311@washoecounty.gov>

Sent: Monday, July 3, 2023 8:07 PM

To: Washoe311 < Washoe311@washoecounty.gov>

Subject: A new Service Request has been created [Request ID #139523] (Library System - Public Records

Request)- Washoe County, NV

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Washoe County,

A new service request has been filed.

Service Request Details

ID 139523

Date/Time 7/3/2023 8:07 PM

Type Library System - Public

Records Request

Address Washoe County

Origin Washoe 311

Comments Provide all of the individuals

blocked or restricted from

Washoe County Library

System social media

SubmitterRibar, Drew

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Washoe Valley, NV 89704

Const2Audit@gmail.com

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